

Dear Harold Weisberg:

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Ixx I received your letter today, where you stated that Jerry said That Turley stated on the Auble news that he was pressured into claiming that he robbed banks with me. No such accusation was made on this show. This is what was said. But first I have written you several times about this Turley, but the last time (which was a couple of days ago I had forgot his name) I again told you about him. However I did not know the rest of the story about him. Here briefly what I did know and which I told you about him: (Ernest Turley Is another Grace Walden story--FBI frame all the way).

Here is what I previous mention about Turley:

A) The FBI arrested Clarence Haynes, Earle Sattlefield, and Ernest Turley for the Laddiona bank robbery. They released Earl Sattlefield. Later Earl and his relation went to Haynes house and took money out of his basement. Haynes common law wife told the FBI that Earl And his relation had came to her house and got some money out of the basement (her name was Ruby Wright). Earl relation stated to Ruby to tell the FBI that they could have the money that he did not want to get messed up with the feds. Ruby told the FBI, but the FBI would not go and get the money. In the meantime I was arrested for the st. peters mo. bank robbery. A week before i was suppose to go to trial, Haynes and Turley was supposed to go to trial for the Laddiona bank robbery. A day before Haynes and Turley went to trial, they transfer Haynes to a different jail. He was held downstairs at the St. Charles, Mo. Jail. I was held upstairs at the same jail. The cons told me that the FBI was downstairs rehershing Haynes on how to Withdraw his plea at the last minute and state that ~~xx~~ he had a change of heart and say that it was ~~xxxx~~ he who robbed the bank and that Turley and I help him. Which he did. This was good pre-trial publicity on there part against my upcoming trial. However, U.S. Marshal Kenneth Link told me (he was in the court room) That Haynes was caught lying and you could see that Turley was innocent. He had evicendence and eyewitness that he wasn't no where near Laddional. ~~xxxxxx~~ Turley was found innocent in front of a hand pick federal jury which gets 98.6 convictions. U.S. Marshal Link stated that it really look bad on the fedes part, because they were using this trial to get pre-trial publicity against my trial. Marshal Link stated that he did not know why but the FBI was really mad and had them to get Turley as he walk out the door a supposedly a free man. They had the Sheriff to take him to Laddiona and try him. Marshal Link Stated that They would turn Turley loose over in Laddiona in a few days, because there only witness Clarence Haynes got caught in perjury(Since a federal judge and FBI agents (among them infamous J. Wallace LaPrade of New York) Haynes could not be tried for perjury). I did not see anything about his case in the paper and believed, as marshal, that he was released (since then however I found out that FBI agents suppressed certain convictions from the news media--as they did when Jerry Lee Miller was secretly sentenced to a year for the st. peters mo. bank robbery in Fresno, Ca. Now, I find out that Turley had been frame into the penitentiary by the FBI and using the local keystone boys. Turley went on the air and stated that he did not know me and that I couldn't be tried, because of limitation. Indicating that it was me. How stupid? Is he unaware that it was the agents who fixed his trial and tried him twice? The Assassination ~~xxxx~~ told the news media that Haynes did it because of a grudge instead of the agents fixing his trial. James Rodgers stated that he was one of the robberies. That the agents did was put me and Turtley in the place of Sattlefield and Rodgers. They wanted sattlefield to testify against me at my trial. He was released mysterious from Jeff City. I tried to get Judge William Webster to let me called James Earl RAY as a rebuttal witness against him and another witness, but he refuses.

*Haynes was later granted an early release on parole. The FBI
buff case him in the St. Charles, Mo. Jail. I bought the
transcript.*